

SENATE BILL 201
By Henry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16,
Chapter 3 and Title 67, relative to the civil legal
representation of indigents.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 16-3-808(d), is amended by deleting such subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) The administrative office of the courts shall appoint a five-member advisory panel to facilitate communication and joint activities among grantees of the civil legal representation of indigents fund and among other organizations involved in the provision of civil legal representation of indigents. The administrative office of the courts shall appoint panel members as follows:

(1) One (1) member shall be appointed from a list of up to three (3) nominees submitted by the J.C. Napier Bar Association in consultation with other bar associations whose membership primarily consists of minority attorneys;

(2) One (1) member shall be appointed from a list of up to three (3) nominees submitted by the Tennessee Lawyers Association for Women;

(3) One (1) member shall be appointed from a list of up to three (3) nominees submitted by the Tennessee Bar Association;

(4) One (1) member shall be appointed from a list of up to three (3) nominees submitted by the state court clerks conference; and

(5) One (1) member shall be appointed from a list of up to three (3) nominees submitted by the Tennessee Immigrant & Refugee Rights Coalition.

In the event one (1) or more of the organizations fail to submit a list of nominees pursuant to this section the administrative office of the courts shall appoint the remaining members.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.